TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 3369 - SB 3564

March 4, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Effective January 1, 2013, creates the Office of Solicitor General to defend and initiate cases in the interest of the State. The Solicitor General would be appointed for a term of four years by a joint vote of the General Assembly. Relieves and transfers all duties, except for the reporting of opinions, from the Office of Attorney General and Reporter to the Solicitor General. Transfers to the Office of Solicitor General, all personnel, equipment, and other resources currently associated with employees of the Attorney General and Reporter but primarily engaged in activities that are assigned to the Solicitor General.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$12,000/One-Time \$208,400/Recurring

Assumptions:

- The staff performing the duties transferred to the Solicitor General will be transferred at no additional cost to the state.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures of \$208,412 includes the salary (\$167,976) and benefits (\$40,436) for the Solicitor General.
- A one-time increase in state expenditures of \$12,000 for computer equipment, furniture, and law library for the additional positions.
- The Office of Attorney General remains with specified, limited duties.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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